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Subject: HAMP April 2016 Update from Hopi

Morning Eric,

Please see the article from Lionel, "Water Resource Program Director gives update report on Hopi Arsenic Mitigation project", at http://www.hopi-nsn.gov/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/4-19-2016-Vol.24-No.8.pdf. In summary, the article supports the position you voiced on the most recent EPA monthly Hopi call. The article doesn't say anybody is "waiting on IHS" anyway.

Similarly, the above hyperlinked edition of the Hopi Tutuveni reported that the Tawa'ovi Community Development Team has been shut down. Subsequently, the Tribe has moved forward on extending power to the Turquoise Trail Wells only from NTUA or APS power. The power extension is not going to consider the Tawa'ovi community power needs, so it appears as though that project is off the table for now. The Tawa'ovi project has been on the books for about three decades and allegedly the Tribe has dropped in excess of \$9M (i.e. consultants and lawyers) on trying to develop the Tawa'ovi site since 2008. As far as we can tell, most of the construction at the Tawa'ovi site occurred around 1992-1995 (i.e. then called the Turquoise Community Development, also see PH 93-370) and is most likely functionally unusable for future development at this point (e.g. PVC Sch. 40 water pipes that never saw water, thin asphalt delaminating from the subgrade, etc.).

In any case, a power extension will likely need a master lease from BIA for one or two Tribes (i.e. different BIA Agencies) in addition to an Environmental Assessment that has not been completed for the power that our existing HAMP Environmental Assessment references as:

"It is anticipated that NTUA or APS electric transmission and distribution lines would provide power to the HAMP. The transmission and distribution line routes and substation locations have not been established. A supplemental EA would be prepared to evaluate the environmental effects of the electric facilities. Biological and cultural resource field surveys would study the project area covered by this future alternative"

Thanks,

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